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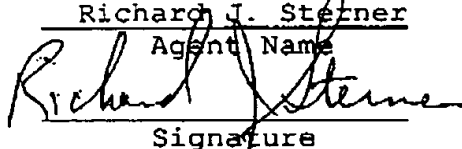
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time
extending the time for response from June 12, 2004 up to and
including July 12, 2004. In the Amendment and Response
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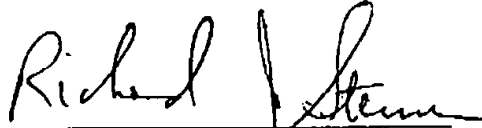
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and including June 12, 2004 and paid the fee therefor.

Accordingly, the fee now due is the difference between the three-month extension fee and the two-month extension fee, namely, \$530. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1703. Any additional fees which may be required for any reason may likewise be charged

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Respectfully submitted,



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